

REMARKS

The Examiner has required Applicant to restrict this application to one of the following inventions:

- I. Claims 1-6 and 8, drawn to a process for producing a dielectric material, classified in class 525, subclass 117; or
- II. Claim 7, drawn to the process of Invention I further comprising cooling the reacted mixture resulting from step b by circulation, classified in class 525, subclass 533.

Applicant hereby selects Invention I, set forth in claims 1-6 and 8, and drawn to a process for producing a dielectric material, classified in class 525, subclass 117. Applicant reserves the right to submit any Divisional patent applications directed toward the non-selected invention.

Within Invention I, the Examiner has required the Applicant to elect a single disclosed species within each of items i), ii), and iii) listed below.

- i) The epoxy resins such as the tetrabromobisphenol A-advanced tetrabromobisphenol A diglycidyl ether depicted in Figure 4.
- ii) The hardeners such as the styrene-maleic anhydride copolymer of claim 8 exhibited in Figure 6.
- iii) The catalysts such as the 2-ethyl-4-methyl imidazole of claim 4 or 5 and illustrated in Figure 5.

Applicant hereby elects the epoxy resin, the hardener, and the catalyst as listed below:

- i) Tetrabromobisphenol A-advanced tetrabromobisphenol A diglycidyl ether as depicted in Figure 4 is elected for the epoxy resin.
- ii) Styrene-maleic anhydride copolymer of claim 8 as exhibited in Figure 6 is elected for the hardener.
- iii) 2-ethyl-4-methyl imidazole of claim 4 or 5 as illustrated in Figure 5 is elected for the catalyst.

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Applicant believes that claims 1-6 and 8 are readable on the elected species. Claims 1-5 are generic. Applicant reserves the right to submit any Divisional patent applications directed toward the non-selected invention.

An early action on the merits of this application is respectfully requested. Should any points remain in issue, which the Examiner feels could best be resolved by either a personal or a telephone interview, it is urged that Applicant's local attorney be contacted at the exchange listed below.


Summary

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant submits that this application is now in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested. Should any points remain in issue, which the Examiner feels could best be resolved by either a personal or a telephone interview, it is urged that Applicant's local attorney be contacted at the exchange listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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